Ted Tetsu Ebata was born on June 2, 1918 in Koloa, Kauai. He was the son of Seiroku and Rii (Mitobi) Ebata. He was educated at Koloa School, Kauai; McKinley High School, Oahu. He was married to Louise Kramer of La Crosse, Wisconsin, on November 15, 1942 and had one son, Donald Ebata. Prior to entering the service Mr. Ebata was a clerk at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel Honolulu, Oahu.

Ebata (SN 30100058) was inducted into the United States Army, Dec 9, 1940. He took basic training at Schofield Barracks, Oahu and subsequently advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Ebata served with 298th Infantry Regiment in Hawaii and later transferred to Company A, 100th Infantry Battalion during advance combat training. He served in the Hawaiian Islands, the continental United States, Algeria, Africa and the Italian Campaign.

Ebata received a battlefield commission on January 19, 1944 (SN 01702992). He was awarded the: Silver Star, Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, European-Africa-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and World War II Victory Medal.

Lt. Ted Ebata was killed in action near Rosignano-Mamittimo, Italy, July 3, 1944, during the Rome to Arno campaign.

He is interred at the Kauai County Veteran’s Cemetery, Hawaii.

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